

# **Friday, March 27, 2020**

Mayor Domenic J. Sarno, in the best interests of our residents and business community, continues his daily morning meetings with his cabinet heads as they work 24/7 to facilitate and coordinate with all of our local, state, federal, and public and private partners in response to the COVID-19 situation.

Below are the most recent updates as reported from each City Departments.

### Mayor's Office

- Announced the City's contingency plans for the homeless population
- Announced the City's request for the Massachusetts National Guard to supplement our local police departments operations
- Signed on to letter to the President and Federal Government asking to ramp up production and distribution of ventilators, PPE's such as N95 masks, testing kits and quicker turnaround results, and other vital medical equipment.

#### Health

- Continues to provide updates to Mayor and cabinet heads on the status of COVID-19 in the city, state and across the nation.
- Continue contact and communication with local medical facilities including Baystate Health and Mercy Medical
- Monitoring the COVID-19 status and situation across the city and any contingency plans that may be needed
- Working with all city departments, and public and private partners to coordinate action plans and response actions that might be needed
- Continuing meeting and coordinating with local, state, federal, and public and private on
  multiple platforms to address the needs that might arise due to the COVID-19 situation
  including but not limited to: homeless population, elderly population, families, mental
  health, medical needs, food needs, following and practicing the recommended public health
  emergency guidance and orders, etc.

#### **DPW**

• Scheduled to lift the winter moratorium for roadwork on Monday, March 30, 2020. All restoration work must be completed before any new permits are issued.

## **Eco Dev**

• Sent letter to HUD seeking flexibility to redeploy potentially \$500,000 additional CDBG funding to 'Prime the Pump' restaurant and small business direct grant initiatives

## **School**

- 20,133 meals were served today under the City's Public Schools Meal Program.
  - o 10,491 for breakfast
  - o 10,642 for lunch
- For the week, 42,450 meals were served